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Ms. Zarazúa has involved herself in a wide variety of community and professional activities. She has served as Legal Counsel and President/CEO for the Monterey County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and is currently Chair of Monterey County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Zarazúa is a member of the California Bar Association and the California State Bar Tax Section and formerly served on the Executive Committee of the Monterey County Bar Association. She has also served on the boards of the Girl Scouts of America, Meals on Wheels and the Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley. Recently, Ms. Zarazúa was appointed by Mexico's President Vicente Fox to serve as Honorary Consul of Mexico for Monterey and Santa Cruz counties. Ms. Zarazúa's father formerly worked as a *bracero* or guestworker in the agricultural fields of the Salinas Valley.

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